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SUBJECT: PORT CONGESTION - PORT LEIXOES

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- 1. CONGESTION AT LEIXOES IS CURRENTLY ATTRIBUTABLE BY LOCAL SOURCES TO A LACK OF ON-SHORE HANDLING FACILITIES. CONTAINERIZED FREIGHT IS EXPERIENCING DELAYS OF 2 TO 3 DAYS, WITH 15 PER CENT SURCHARGE. CONVENTIONAL CARGO IS SUBJECT TO SHORTER DELAYS, WITH 15 PER CENT SURCHARGE, OF WHICH 10 PER CENT IS REFUNDED. NEITHER LABOR NOR WEATHER PROBLEMS ARE SIGNIFICANT CAUSES OF PORT CONGESTION AT PRESENT.
- 2. A MAJOR PROJECT IS UNDER WAY TO EXPAND THE LEIXOES CONTAINERIZED FREIGHT FACILITIES. THE ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE IS SUMMER, 1978 WHICH WE CONSIDER VERY OPTIMISTIC. IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT THE EXPANDED FACILITIES WILL REDUCE OR ELIMINATE DELAYS FOR CONTAINERIZED FREIGHT.
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